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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2004 be extended for a period of two (2) months from January 6, 2005 to March 6, 2005. Because March 6, 2005 falls on a Sunday, the response period is extended to Monday, March 7, 2005, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7.

The fee for this extension is \$450.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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